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**See Millions of Dollars Produced at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
Evening Tour Hours Available**

(Washington, DC, March 9, 2011) Beginning Monday, March 28 through Friday, August 26, visitors to the nation's capital can tour the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) during evening hours.

Learn about the easy-to-use security features designed to deter counterfeiting and protect U.S. currency, and see millions of dollars on the tour as blank sheets of currency paper are transformed into wallet-ready bills.

Admission is **free**; however, tickets are required between March and August. Same day, time-stamped tickets can be obtained at the BEP's ticket booth, which opens at 8:00 a.m. and is located on Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW (formerly 15th Street).

Forty-minute tours are conducted every 15 minutes, Monday through Friday. Tickets often go quickly and are distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. The ticket booth closes as soon as all of the tickets have been issued for the entire day. Visitors are advised to arrive at the ticket booth early in the morning, or telephone the BEP Tour Office for information about ticket availability.

Extended Tour Hours

Ticket Booth	8:00 a.m. until tickets are gone
Congressional Tours:	8:15 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. (reservations required)
Extended Hours	4:00 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 4:45 p.m.
Public Tours:	9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Extended Hours	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Group Tours:	11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (reservations required)
Visitor Center Gift Shop Hours:	8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. (entrance closes at 7:00 p.m.)

The BEP offers a wide array of unique gift items including uncut sheets of currency, souvenir cards, and presidential portraits. BEP products may be purchased by visiting the Visitor Center Gift Shop in Washington, DC at 14th and C Streets, SW, ordered online at www.moneyfactory.gov, or by telephoning 1-800-456-3408. **Tickets are not required to visit the Gift Shop.**

For questions regarding your visit to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, please telephone 1-866-874-2330 or visit us online at www.moneyfactory.gov.